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SECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY. Indiscreet Letters from Emperor William which Bismarck Desilace to Surrender-The Employers Ahead in the Great Laber Trembles of Germany - Scelalies Calular in the German Army-Four Pro-

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to Orief-The Kaiser as a Markeman. BERLIN, March 22.-We have had this week a scandal of a financial character which may lead to important political consequences. The personage affected is no other than Dr. Von Beattlicher, who, after Chancellor Von Caprivi. holds the highest post in the State. He is Vice-President of the Ministry and Secretary of State for Home Affairs. Six years ago Herr Von Boetticher's brother-in-law, who was a merchant of high standing in Dantzig. bankrupt with liabilities amounting to \$87,500, Although Boettleher himself was not personally implicated in his brother-in-law's business transactions, he. from motives of delicacy, tendered his resignation to the old Emperor. Prince Bismarck. who was at that time in office, held Dr. you tticher in high esteem, and not only prevented his retirement from public life but represented the matter to the Emperor in such a light that shortly afterward the whole ant of his brother-in-law's liabilities was paid, the necessary sum being handed to the Minister by a high court official. Herr von Boetticher himself declares that he never knew from what source this money was derived. Prince Bismarck refrained from unpleasantly reminding him of the transaction, and he consequently assumed that he was indebted to the liberality of old Emperor William. Dr. von Boetticher has made the mistake of proving who can prove to be as bitter in his resentment se he was generous in his treatment of a suberdinate when in the height of power.

Herr von Bostticher, as the coadjutor of Cen. von Caprivi, the present Chancellor, has for some time past been opposing Prince Bismarck tooth and na'l. and the enmity of the two has assumed a personal character. Frince Bis-marck holds many trumpe in his hand, and he has played this one by causing Herr Tramm. who is canvassing for Bismarck in a Hanoverian constituency, to call the attention of the Raichstag to the appropriation of \$87,500 for the personal use of Herr von Boetticher. The insinuation made is that this sum was not a gift from Emperor William, but a steal from the Guelph fund. The public indignation aroused is deep and widespread, and may lead to a breaking of the Ministry; but be that as it may, it affords a proof that the ex-Chan-

cellor is a man dangerous to trifle with.

The question of the rectoration of the letters which the Emperor addressed to Prince Bis-marck is still unsettled. Like lesser personages the present Haiser once committed the felly of writing indiscreet letters to a friend. This was at the time when Unser Fritz was lving ill at San Remo, and when influential persons ways urging the young Prince, who is now Kalsey, to make a bid for the regency, not from any special devotion to the Prince himself. but to counteract the control exercised by the hated English Princess, his mother. Prince Bismarok, at best a selfish and indiscreet friend. has since become an enemy, and in spite of entreaties and threats he refuses to give up the letters, which are as precious to him as their existence is embarrassing to the writer, It is learned that Count Von Walderwriter, it is learned that Count von water-see's pesent visit to Bismarck, which gave rise to so many political conjectures, was made solely for the purpose of indusing the ex-Chancellor to disgorge the documents; but the latter is too old a bird to be cauget by glittering generalities. His price for the letters was his return to power. Count Walderson was instructed to offer almost anything short of that, His Majesty was willing to restore Count Herbert Bismarck to office and give Bismarck's son-in-law, Count Ratzan, the post of Ambassador at St. Petersburg. But the ex-Chancellor replied that nothing short of ally added: "You may tell his Majesty that his letters are not in my possession, being safely deposited out of the country. I could not, if I wished, procure their publication in Germany.'

These letters, together with all the original documents and manuscripts to be used in Bismarek's forthcoming memoirs, have for the last six weeks or more been in safe custody in England. Count Herbert Bismarck carried them himself across the Channel and deposited them in the vaults of a London banker.

To say that the workmen are panic stricken by the fallure of the Hamburg cigarmakers strike would be putting the ease too mildly. The loss of half a million of marks from the contributions of the strikers is a mere nothing compared with the loss of prestige to the workmen, who have been besten with their own weapons. "We have shown the capitalists the trick." they are saying. "We have taught m that union is strength."

The alliance of employers against the Labor after the an nouncement of the Kalsar's social policy in February last. The fall of Bismarck who had always been the protecting spirit of one or more branches of inwas followed by the creation of new trusts, and the lapse of the anti-socialist laws was all that was wanted to drive the expitalists to a union for the protect tion of their common interests. The Saxony mill owners and the brickmakers of Rathenow were the first to raise the standard of com-bined retistance, and the Metal Manufac-turers' Union was the first national trust to be formed. The pooling of interests of the Hamburg and Brunswick cigar manufacturers came next, and was followed by the adhesion of the boot manufacturers of Erfurt. the Baden factory owners, the coal and fron barons, &c. Thus came about the strike of employers against that of the employees: the one aided by unlimited capital, influence, and party legislation, the other hampered by the ceaseless bickerings of its leaders, by police nterference, and lack of the sinews of war; the one living with the times, and taking advantage of every loophole, the other hampered by the distation of leaders who are in many cases the apostles of impracticable theories, the blind leading the blind. The cry is now for a thorough reorganization of the labor party. It is admitted that the latter has lost its old influence in wages and the other conditions of labor. Local strikes are now seen to belong to the past. The present conflict is one of battle all along the line, and the only chance of success for the workmen lies in the possibility of trade assuming such flourishing proportions that the manufacturers will have no time to

spare in disputes about wages. Our army officers like nothing better than to enlarge on the spirit of insubordination al-leged to be rampant in the rank and file of the English forces, and they pooh-pooh the idea that anything of the kind could exist among their own men. It is, nevertheless, notorious that our army is largely impregnated with socialism. It has been deemed necessary of late to search all barracks for socialistic literature at stated intervals, and over 250 men are at the present time imprisoned in different fortresses or being found in possession of tabooed books and journals. The new papers are profibited from publishing these facts, but their existence can easily be proved. It was learned Sub-Lieutenant of infantry stationed at Osna-hydek. was recently sentenced to fifteen years' | Ce., 16th at, near 6th av. -46v.

incarceration for having in his library at the | NINE TENEMENTS FIRED. barracks works of Lassalle, Marx, and Bebel, the contents of which he was in the habit of discussing with a chosen few of his comrades.

The trial of Maurice Reiter and his accomplices for dealing in titles and diplomas as court purveyors has resulted in the speedy liberation of the whole gang. The Court was pleased to assume that the evidence was not conclusive, and in order that as little publicity should be given to the case as possible, the trial was hurr'ed through as though the interests of the monarchy instead of the reputation of a few pattry princes was at stake. Relter left the city immediately afterward for Stuttgart, probably to consult with King Carl of Wurtemberg, who makes a prac-tice of selling decorations, titles, and diplomas whenever he gets a chance. It should be said, however, that these chances have been few and far between ever since his Majesty was compelled to part company with those American adventurers a couple of years ago who consorted with him in the south of France. He is now very closely watched, and can hardly sign a paper or raise a finger without Queen Olga hearing of it. and Queen Olga is not a lady to be trifled with. She has threatened her husband repeatedly that she will take steps to compel his abdication in favor of her nephew, Prince William, the heir presumptive, by having him declared a dangerous lunation and she is just the woman to keep her word should King Carl relapse into his old ways. Another difficulty not considered in the

Kaiser's social programme of twelve months back will arise on April 1, when the Government will be compelled to dispense with the services of 1,200 workman hitherto employed in manufacturing the new gun called " Mode 88." The authorities of the cities of Spandau. Dantzic, and Erfurt, where the royal factories are situated, look forward to this event with apprehension on account of the serious consequences that must result from this wholesale dismissal. The worst of it is that there will be absolutely no work obtainable for the majority of the unemployed, as the private factories are also on the point shutting down, their contracts for "Model 88" having been completed according to agreement. The Loew factory is the only one still behind in its work, but this company already employs more men than it factories alone continue in full work, but they only employ between 700 and 1,000 men. What is that compared with the army of workers who will be thrown out? The Kaiser, during the week, has had several conferences with high officials and with Herr Krupp of Essen on this burning question. He also rode over to Spandau twice to consult the factory authorities. Next week will show whether any deelded measures have been settled to meet the

The socialistic party organ, Vormilyts, has issued an authoritative statement, declaring that all strikes in the future are to be divested

of any socialistic character.

Whenever possible the Berlin newspapers give prominence to the threatening language used by Secretary Rusk on the hog question. and Mr. Phelps, on being appealed to, is said to have admitted that such threats can only serve to postpone the probable reform of German policy in this matter.

Hundreds of merchants have called at the

American Legation within the last few days to inquire after Commissary Loffler of the Chieago World's Fair, who was reported to have arrived in Berlin. Up to the present, however, he has failed to put in an appearance.

Prince Anton Radziwill, the father, and Countess Aranicks, the mother-in-law, of Prince George Radziwill, have procured an order from the courts at Potsdam, placing Prince George under tutelage on account of his extravagant mode of living. His racing stable is to be sold off, and it is understood that his creditors will lose everything.

The Portuguese Consul Koenigswarter has been sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment for lying in wait for the Spanish Consul Klenck and assaulting him in a street in Hanover.

The scandals at the Theological Seminary at Burklum continue, and the Minister of PAugation has been informed that four of the teachers have come to grief since Jan. 1. One of them committed suicide, another became in-sane, and the other two have been declared morally unfit to take part in the Government examinations. The Burklum seminary is the one which provides America, and especially the West, with German Lutheran parsons. At the officers' prize-shooting competition at the Spandau infantry school, the Kaiser won

three first and two second prizes.

# THREE OF THE VICTIMS DEAD.

How the Match that Caused a Disastrons Explosion was Lighted.

Three of the four men injured on Saturday by the explosion in Charles Pratt & Co.'s off works in North Twelfth street and Kent avenue, Williamsburgh, are dead. They are James McCabe, 55 years old, of 165 Eckford street, Greenpoint, foreman boiler maker in the employ of the company, Patrick Mc-Guire, 38, of 360 Wythe avenue, and James Cramer, 32, of 169 Franklin street, employed by McNeil & McLaughlin, contractors, of 2 Franklin street. Greenpoint. The men died within a few hours of each other. McCabe died at his home at 10 A. M. He leaves a wife and family. McGuire died at 9 A. M. at St. Catherine's Hospital, and Cramer at 6:45 A. M. at the Eastern District Hospital. Neither was

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Thomas Hayden, the other victim to some one's carelessness, is still alive, but Dr. White, of the Eastern District Hospital, says his condition is hopeless. He was raving deliriously all Baturday night. Yesterday he railied a little and Coroner Lindsay took his story of the accident. The exertion of talking and thinking was too much for him and he became unconscious aimost immediately after the Coroner left. This is the statement he made:

"I work for McNeil & McLaughlin. Word came to the shop on Friday that a boiler at Pratix works needed repairs, and McGuire. Cramer, and I were sent down. McCale. who was a foreman there, showed us the still that we were to work at, and told us we could not do anything that day. It had been empiled only a few hours before, he said, and had to be steamed out. He told us to return next day. On Baturday morning we went there again, and he accompanied us. He carried one of those lamps with round glass globes and a handle. It was not lighted. We entered the vat by the rear manhole. As soon as we got inside Cramer said it did not smell healthy and asked McCabe if he was sure that it had been steamed out. McCabe answered that he had given orders to have it done and that "the air was as sweet as a nut." I joined with Oramer than, and McCabe answered that he had given orders to have it done and that "the air was as sweet as a nut." I joined with Oramer than, and McCabe answered had he say had the gases dispersed. McCabe laughed at us and bulled a match from his nocket. It would not light at first, and I asked him sannin test the air before taking any risk, as if the air was fould mean the athermal and the winds of the place and throw in some lighted paper to see if all was right and the gases dispersed. McCabe laughed at us and bulled a match from his nocket. It would not light at first, and I asked him sannin test the air before taking any risk, as if the air was fould mean the atil one. The details were deal in the employ of the one of the party of the still, although it ones that he

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ARSON NEW YORK AND BROOKLYN.

Diabolical Aspect of One Midnight Pire-Knobs Pulled Out of the Doors to Pen the Tenants In-Three Poles Betrayed by the Hisse the Kerosene Made.

Dark, narrow staircases, broken by landings and interrupted by many sharp turns, are dangerous characteristics of a row of double five-story tenements in 121st street, near Second avenue. There are four houses in the row. numbered 239, 241, 248, and 245. No. 248 of the row is owned by Charles Coleman of 58 William street, and is occupied by seventeen families. Sixty-eight persons slept in the house on Saturday night, nineteen children among the number. Charles Balz lives with his family on the third

floor. He is a bartender in Barts's saloon in 125th street, near Eighth avenue, worked late on Saturday night, and arrived at home about 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Pretty soon after reaching his apartments he smelled smoke. It came from the air shaft, and grew stronger. He aroused some of his immediate neighbors, and they traced the smoke to the celler. There, under the wooden staircase and reating against the planks of a coal bin, they found a pile of rubbish blazing. A deal trunk had been dragged up to the blazing heap, as if to add fuel. A few feet distant was the entrance to the air shaft, which is also a means of communication with the cellar of the adjoining house. The door of the air shaft had been braced shut. Now it was braced open, as if to give the flames an easy passageway to the upper floors. The fire was easily extinguished with a few palls of water.

The barefoot tenants trod on a number of

parlor matches and found that the cellar floor had been strewn with them all about the fire. The lower hallway was crowded by excited tenants of the house. Some of them started to go in search of a policeman. Then the tenants learned that they were locked in. Both inner and outer doors were shut, and the knobs had been removed, making it impossible to open them until some substitute was found. This seemed a trivial matter, now that the fire was extinguished, but had the fire gained headway the lower hallway would have been crowded with women and children wedged in by later comers and unable to es-

cape. Further investigation revealed that the ten-

Further investigation revealed that the tenants of the adjoining houses on the row would have found themselves in the same plight. The door knobs had been removed from all the front doors in the row. There are in each cellar ten to fifteen coal bins made of heavy hemicak planks, dry as tinder and ready to kindle a lively blaze on very slight provocation in each cellar.

Philip Feitner is janitor of the house in which the fire occurred. He is still nursing a broken knee cap which kept him in the hospital for some time while his wife attended to the house. He is at home now but has to hobble around on crutches. He said he knew of no one who would have any desire to injure the landlord. He added that he himself had no enemies that he knew of. Mrs. Feitner said they had had trouble with a tenant named O'birjen who had occupied the top floor and had been disposeessed some four months before a rampinged.

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O'Briena drank and were noisy in the house. They had a boarder like themelyes, and were bankward in paying their rent. Coleman asked him to hurry them up in their payments, and he did so. At the same time he dunned Mrs. O'Brien for 25 cents she had borrowed of Mrs. Feitner. O'Brien took offence at this. Thereafter, Mr. Feitner said. O'Brien and the boarder dogged him about watching for a good opportunity to beat him. It was a month before they thought they had found it. Mr. Feitner had not broken his knee cap then, and he says the men waylaid him near the house, but he had no difficulty in thrashing them. They had him arrested for it, but he was discharged by Justice Welde. These men were the only possible enemies he might have, but he had not seen them in some time and did not know that they harbored any Ill will toward him. He scarcely thought they would try to burn up sixty-eight people to revenue themseives upon him. Mrs. Feitner said she thought she had seen the boarder, whose name she did not know that they hought they would try to burn up sixty-eight people to revenue themseives upon him. Mrs. Feitner said she thought she had seen the boarder, whose name she did not know lottering about the neighborhood the past week, but she was not sure it was he. Door, knob thieves had visited the row before. They stole the knobs from the front doors of No. 245 on Sunday, the 15th inst.

Detectives Price and Mott are inclined to believe that the fire was merely the work of awkward theves. They say the neighborhood is ipfested with notty inleves, who will steal anything that they can sell for the price of a drink. They bolieve that theres searched the cellar and dropped the matches by accident, and that the fire was equally accidental. The tenants of the bouse think otherwise.

Ten minutes earlier in the morning a fire was discovered in the ce

the hallway at the foot of the stairs was found ablaze.

The narrow perspective of the vacant yard west of the Mariner's Temple, at 12 Oliver street is closed by the back wall of a tall five-story tenement numbered 20% Catharine alreet. A person standing on the south side of Oliver street, looking through the caflon, can see the back windows of every story in the tenement except the first. If three Polish Jew tallors, who slept and worked on the top floor, had known this, they might have pulled down the shades at 5:85 c clock last night, and thus avoided the necessity of slepting in a cell of the Oak street station. The trio of thoughtless tallors are blichael schemer. John Strogenis, and Anurew biaschrides, and they worked for John Stephenia. Of course they were insured—but not against observation.

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Beveral roung men were standing in Oliver street at 635 o'clock, when they saw the two rear windows of Stephenia's shop bloom with light. Followman George Baker was at the corner, and they called to him. He stood opposite the rear of the tenement and watched. There was a sudden burst of fame, apparently from an ironing stand in front of the east window.

It illuminated the interior of the room, and the policeman saw three men in their night clothes. Two were standing in the background. The other held a can from which he poured something on the ironing stand.

Every time the something fell on the stand a shaft of flame went cellingward. Baker saw the unsusposing tallow pour something from the can several times, and then he started on a run for 20% Catharine street. Some tenants in the house. In which ten families live, had also noticed the illumination through the fan light and given an alarm of fire. Two policemen and Fireman Thomas Hayes resched the top floor, all out of breath, about the same time. The ironing stand in the tallors' room was ablaze and the floor beneath it was burning.

The fire was quickly smothered with a mattress. The three tallors looked on without showing excitement or anxiety. They had put some of their clothes on. Policemen Mooney and Faker arrested them. They said they had upset a lamp.

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The room was filled with clothes, most of which were hanging from nails and hooks overhead. There were two two-gallon cil cans, uncorked, under the ironing stand. They were nearly full of kerosene. The tailors were not wholesals dealers in oil. One of them was seen carrying in the oil on Saturday. The Fire Marshal will investigate.

The fact that three more incendiary fires occurred on Saturday night in the lower section of Brooklyn, and that the percentagor again succeeded in cluding the police, has alarmed tenement dwellers all over Brooklyn, bines the Saturday night firebux began his operations about three months ago, he has been the author, it is supposed, of at least twenty fires mostly in big tenement house. It was not until six lives were lost at one of these fires that the police began a systematic and

MURDER TO HIDE MURDER.

vinorous search for the incendiary. Yester-day one of the detectives, who has worked night and day on the matter for the past month, admitted that he was completely bailled. Fire Marshal Lewis said:

"We have taken every possible precaution to capture the incendiary, and I am positive that he cannot much longer clude us. He seems to carry on his diabolical work from pure malice, for in no case has he made any attempt at robbery."

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Early yesterday morning a saloon in Greenpoint was burned out, and the prourietor openly says an unknown enemy set the fire. A little later a fire was discovered in the tenement at Oakland street and Manhattan avenue. It did no damage. A third fire occurred at 920 highle avenue, and Police Cantain Martin, after a careful investigation, reported to Fire Marshal Lewis that it was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

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The house is an old-fashioned three-story brick building. All of its interir is of wook. The top floor is occupied by Mrs. Mary Cook and her daughter. On the second floor William Van Buren lives with his wills, three daughters, and two sons. Henry Oldfield & Co., real estate agent, conduct their business on the ground floor, and in the basement is the shop of tinsmith Frank Knapp. Leading from the hall to the basement is a wooden stairway.

Pehind this stairway is a large closet, the door of which is airway akent locked. The kwas are in possession of Mr. Oldfield. Below the basement is a subcellar where are the coal bins belonging to the different tonants. When Mrs. May Van Buren returned from church last scening she saw smoke issuing from the stairs leading to the basement.

She ran up stairs and alarmed her mother and sisters ther father and brothers were away from home), and warned Mrs. and Miss Cook that the house was on fire. Then she ran to the Vernon avenue police station, one block away, and as alarm was sent. Less than five minutes after the arrival of the engines the fire was extinguished.

An examination showed that the closet under the hallway had been broken ones and that a pile of newspapers had been fired. In the cellar, between the doorway and the coal bins, ware several small heaps of oiled rags.

The tenants, who use the cellar in common. said that on Saturiay night when they went to fetch coal for Sunday the rags were not there. Mr. Knapp, the only man who has any right in the basement, came to the house after the lire was out and said that he had not been there since he closed his place on Saturiay night.

The house is the property of Mrs. Hannah Glen, who lives just opposite. I has had an unfortunate record during the past two years ago, and since then the cellar about two years ago, and since then the fire Department has been called to the place

## Fatal Incendiary Pire.

At a late hour last night fire was discovered on the second floor of the tenement, 81 Boyd street. Newark. The flames spread rapidly and communicated to two adjoining tenements There were about a dozen Polish families in the three tenements. There were many narrow

escapes, and two persons who are missing are supposed to have perished in the flames. The buildings were burned out.

The floor in which the fire was discovered was occupied by Solomon Epstein. His spartments, it is said, had been saturated with oil. The police are making an investigation.

## FOR SHOPLIFTING.

Arrest of a Woman Who Concests Her Name but Travels on a N.Y. Central Pass,

A tall middle-aged woman, with gray hair and a sealskin coat, visited the store of Stern Brothers in West Twenty-third street on Saturday afternoon and made several small purchases. Miss Ellen Halloran, one of the saleswomen, thought the woman was acting suspiclously, and watched her. She saw the customer take a pair of slik stockings and hide them under her dress. Miss Halloran asked the woman to step into the manager's private room, and taxed her there with the theft of the stockings. The customer denied it at first, but after a short search the stockings were found hanging to one of her garters. She was ready to nay for the stockings then, and tearfully begged to be allowed to go free.

Policement Thomas Stewart was called in to escort the woman around to the Thirtieth streat station house. There the prisoner gave her name as Mrs. Mary Johnson and said her home was in Washington. Johnson, she admitted, was not her real name, which she refused to give for her family's sake, she said. She had been visiting iriends here in New York for several weeks, but their address she also refused to give. When she was searched several handkerchiefs were found in her pockets which were identified by one of the employees of Simpson. Crawford & Simpson as naving come from the store of that firm. She had one or two other articles which had come from Ehrichs', but as no one in either of these stores had seen her steal anything, no further complaint was made against her.

On Miss Halloran's complaint Mrs. Johnson was locked up. She had a purse with \$68 in it. some small change, and a ticket or pass from Albany to New York. She were \$200 diamonds in her ears, and there was a ring set with diamonds on her hand.

Policeman Stewart brought the woman before Justice Ford at Jefferson Market yesterday morning. Lawyer Louis Allen of Howe & Hummel's office appeared for her and walved examination. She was held in \$300 ball for Special Seasions. No one a peared to go her bail, and she was locked up for another night. This time she had no callers in the afternoon. She its a woman of apparent intelligence and respectability, and her lawyer to fine opinion that she is suffering from kleptomania. Her real name, he says, he does not know, nor anything about her. She told him that if she only had a chance to see some of her friends here she would have no trouble in giving ball, but she refused to give the lawyer the address of any of them.

Mr. Allen says that her railroad ticket is a pass good between albany and the stockings. The customer denied it at first, but after a short search the stockings were

# THE GIRLS SMILED AT HIM.

Mr. Kelly Proceeded to Make Them a Call -Later He Was arrested.

Bernard J. Kelly of 324 East Thirty-third street, had an interesting experience yesterlay. Mr. Kelly is a young lawyer who occasionally falls off into literature. About 2.30 clock resterday afternoon, Mr. Kelly, under the genial influence of several drinks, braved the rain and took a walk.

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At that hour he was passing along East Thirty-ninth street, between Second and First avenues. He was on the north side of the street. He glanced at the second-story windows of the apartment house opposite. Two rather pretty young girls were smiling at him. Mr. Kelly noted that the number of the house was \$12, and that Edward Morrissey kept a saloon in the first story. He plunied boldly through the mud, the faces at the window smiling approvingly. He entered the house, climbed the stairs and was admitted to the parior where the two girls were. They greeted him with cordiality and Mr. Kelly felt at ease from the moment he entered.

Pretty scope a young man entered, It was young Tom Morrissey and one of the girls was his sister, while the other was his cousin. He acquised at the beaming Kelly. He demanded to known who the drunken "gent" was, and where he had come from, Mr. Morrissey is particular with his sisters and makes note of all the young men who call upon them. He knew that Kelly was not on the visiting list when he ordered Kelly to decamp. Kelly looked appealingly at the girls. They were giggling in a frightenediwayand offered him no assistance. He retreated slowly, Morrissey following him and giving him a thorough drubbing with his tongue.

Fingly the two men reached the haliway near the street door. Kelly stopped retreating and begun to return Morrissey's harsh language. Their volces rose until the building rang with the noise and the other occupants were hanging over the balusters watching for a row. At last Kelly ierked an ivory-handled ink eraser from his pocket and labbed viciously at Morrissey. The sharp edge of the eraser loosened the lobe of Morrissey's left ear from his check and the blood ran in a stream.

Relly dashed into the street and ran to Second evenue and down toward Thirty-eighth pressed against his wound. A crowd collected and the shouting attracted the attention of Officer Briton, who arrested Kelly. Morrissey's injury is slight. Thirty-ninth street, between Second and First

### Eilled by Falling from a Porch. St. Augustive. Fla. March 22 .- William J.

Dunne, a painter by trade, who was born in Dublin. Ireland, and was a resident of New York city, was instantir killed this evening by the giving away of the rotten railing of the perch of Lang's building, in St. George street. He was holding a baby, which he gave to his wife and then stepped on to the porch to talk with a woman who was passing in the street halow.

THE PATHER OF MARY TOBIN CHOKED TO DEATH AND THEN BURNED.

It is Thought that He Knew Who Caused the Death of His Daughter at Clifton States Island, Nearly Two Years Ago and was Therefore Put Out of the Way.

OIL CITY, March 22.-The citizens of Franklin were shocked to-day by the nows that N. P. Tobin of that place had been murdered. He was the father of Miss Mary Tobin, who was mysteriously drowned at Clifton, Staten Island, nearly two years ago. Her former home was Franklin, where she was a teacher in the publie schools. She went to New York to pursue special studies. She was accomplished and beautiful, and at the time of her death was engaged to be married, her disappearance taking place almost on the eve of the expected marriage.

The mystery surrounding her death has never been solved, but that there was foul play connected with it has never been doubted by the relatives and friends.

Mr. Tobin was fifty-two years old and was a tailor. He was well-known in the business and religious circles of Franklin. His wife and two children went into the country yesterday and he was at home last night alone. At 5 o'clock this morning the fire department was called out. His residence was flames.

In the ruins of the building two hours later

was found the dead and partly burned body of Tobin, dressed, with the exception of cost and hat. It was lying face downward on the parlor floor. He had expected to drive into the country early this morning for his wife and children, and this accounted for his being pearly dressed.

There was undoubtedly foul play. Tobin's body was found in a crouched position in the parlor, the head resting in a pool of blood, and over the eves there was a big bruise.

The autopsy made by the doctors showed that he was not stifled by the smoke but that he was choked to death. Marks resembling the imprints of a man's finger nails were found on the dead man's throat.

Tobin was a powerful and active man and he must have had several assailants. A brace and two bits, evidently used in gaining entrance to the house, were found,

It is thought that Tobin had obtained information regarding the foul play which saused his daughter's death, and that this fact had become known to the guilty person, and therefore, that whoever was responsible for the death of Mary Tobin also planned the murder of her father.

Detectives have been at work continually on the drowning mystery, and Mr. Tobin is rereported to have said recently that a loop would soon be found in the right place. Whe Tobin came to this country from England his errand was to fight Ben Hogan, the then notorious fighter and bad man of the oll regions. Tobin soon became converted, and his life from that time became one of philanthropy and good works. He frequently took poor boys from the streets and supplied them with clothes. He looked after poor families and held meetings among the prisoners in jail.

Miss Mary C. Tobin's body was found off the rocks at Clifton, Staten Island, on May 12, 1899, and the evidence brought out later proved that she had been murdered, but the mystery of her death was never solved.

She came to Staten Island from Pennsylvania in 1855, and in 1887 went into the office of Dr. S. A. Robinson of West Brighton as an assistant. She became engaged secretly to Dr. William Brran, and when she left Dr. Robinson's employ on April 13, 1889, she said it was to get married. The Doctor saw her two days 1ster, but that was the last time she was seen alive.

There were many conjectures as to the way that Miss Tobin, who was an attractive young woman, had met her death, and Dr. Bryan himself was under suspicion for a time.

PASTOR FREUND NOT TROUBLED. He Drinks Wine and Beer when He Likes.

but Not to Excess. The Rev. John W. Freund, paster of St. John's German Evangelical Church in Hoboken. whose convivial habits have brought him into trouble again, conducted the services in the church yesterday morning and evening as usual. The attendance was large, probably in

the church yesterday morning and evening as usual. The attendance was large, probably in the expectation that some reference would be made to the trouble.

Mr. Freund, however, doesn't seem to be troubled. He admits that he drinks beer and wine, but he denies that he drinks to excess. If any formal charges have been made against him he has not heard of them. If any should be made he is prepared to meet them, and he is convinced that he has a sufficient number of friends in the church to support him.

He said yesterday that if the matter came up at all it would be before the classis next month, but he was confident that the matter would be allowed to drop quietly out of sight. He has no intention of resigning, as it was suggested he might do.

The particular allegation against Mr. Freund is that at a recent wedding celebration hedrank so much wine that he save offence to the Roy. Mr. Hueston of Jersey City Heights, and also to Mr. Heinsth and Mr. Oeder, two members of his congregation. Messrs, Heinsth and Oeder preferred charges to the trustees, but the trustees have not acted upon them. Mr. Freund helieves that his commers, who made trouble for him when he was pastor of St. Matthew's Church, are still trying to persecute him.

# MUSIC AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Position of Director will Probably be

CHICAGO, March 22.-Theodore Thomas, who will arrive in Chicago to-morrow morning, will probably be asked to accept the position o probably be saked to accept the position of musical director of the World's Fair. This has been recommended by the joint Committee on Ceremonies and the recommendation is regarded with favor by the Exposition directors. A number of the directors will visit him and it is expected that the whole matter will be talked'over at a preliminary interview. Prof. Wm T. Thomlins will be the choral director and the choral work will be carried forward under the suspices of the Apollo Club. It will include a children's chorus of possibly 10,000 voices.

PROVIDENCE, March 22.-Herman Bodes, years old, bookkeeper of the Providence Dairy Company, whose oleomargarine factory was Company, whose elecomargarine factory was on Thursday seized by the United States revenue officers for alleged violation of law, committed suicide this noon by shooting himself at Nayatt Point. Mr. Fehiberg, the proprietor of the dairy company, is not accessible, and it is not known whether the accounts show that Bodes was implicated in wrong doing. He had been accused by some of the workmen, and the matter had evidently preyed upon his mind.

He went to Nayatt on a morning train and took the first opnortunity when he was unobserved to shoot himself.

# Died at a Funeral.

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, March 22 - Mrs. Barah A. Bickles, the wife of George H. Bickles, was A. Sickles, the wife of George H. Sickles, was among those who attended the funeral services this afterneon of Eugene W. Heath in All Saints' Memorial Church at Navesink. She fainted, and was assisted from the new to the vestibule by her husband and son.

Dr. Andrews was quickly summoned, and while he was administering remedies Mrs. Bickles expired. It was not until after the funeral service was concluded that Mrs. Sickles's death became generally known. Her death is supposed to have been caused by heart disease.

TRENTON, March 22 .- The searchers for the TRENTON, March 22.—The searchers for the body of Alexander Dunn, the Trenton merchant who has been missing since Friday night, found a hat on the raceway bank this afternoon which is recognized by the family as Mr. Dunn's.

The raceway, which is filled from the Delawars River, is very high at present, and the work of searching is difficult. The hody may have been carried into the river. The family has almost abandoned hope that Mr. Dunn is alive.

Missing Mr. Dunn's Hat Found.

THE KEYSTONE BANK TROUBLES.

It to Learned that Ito Ex-President, No.

PHILADELPHIA. March 22. - Facts were brought to light to-day which indicate that the trouble in the Keystone National Bank, which was closed by the Comptroller of the Currence on Friday last, dates far back of the run inaug urated during the financial stringency of last December.

It was stated to-day that President John Lucas, who died in 1888, owed the bank large sums of money, and that this fact was concealed from several of the directors, although

known to the others.

President Lucus at the time of his death owned the Keystone Bank building, a handsome structure, the erection of which cost over \$400,000. This he is said to have built with funds borrowed from the bank.

Lucas's death resulted from cold contracted

while superintending the erection of the building. At the time of the trouble in December the widow of Mr. Lucas turned the building which had been mortgaged by her late hus band for \$200,000, over to the Board of Directors.

It was announced then that she had generously come to the assistance of the distressed institution. The building was immediately sold for \$175,000 above the mortgage. After the December trouble had tided over five of the directors, it is said, learned for the first time that Mr. Lucas had used the bank funds. These directors were reflected at the January meeting of the stockholders, but refused to serve and their places have not since been filled.

One of the five is said to have advanced the bank \$100,000 at the time of the run, and he also went security for \$50,000 more borrowed from the Clearing House Association.

The Association at the time advanced the bank \$780,000, all but \$300,000 of which has been paid back. It is now thought that a heavy assessment of the stockholders will be necessary for the bank to resume.

## WILLIAM BROOKFIELD, PERHAPS.

A Union League Man Wented for Chairman of the Republican Committee,

The Republicans of the County Committee are now contemplating William Brookfield as a good man for Chairman to succeed Col. Cruger. The committee meets in Nilsson Hall on Thursday night to hear the reports of the Committee on Contested Seats on the Fifth and Thirteenth districts, and it is considered advisable to have the candidate for Chairman of the County Committee named on that evening. For a week or more it has been said that either Chauncey M. Depew or Mr. Brookfield ought to be named as Col. Cruger's successor. Both Mr. Depew and Mr. Brookfield are very busy men, and the negotiations with these gentlemen have been conducted with a full understanding of that fact.

It is essential in the estimation of the king pins of the committee that a member of the Union League Club should be Col. Cruger's aucressor. Occasionally it is necessary to have a little of the needful, especially during campaign times. It is also necessary to have a Chairman who can devote a good deal of time to the affairs of the committee. It is believed that Mr. Brookfield could give the necessary time to the place.

What the committee wants is a man of backbone," is the statement of one close to the throne.

THE BEHRING SEA PROCLAMATION. It Will be Substantially the Same in For

as that of Last Year. WASHINGTON, March 22.-It is expected that the regular annual proclamation for the pro-tection of the fur scals in Behring Sea will be issued by the President the early part of the present week. This proclamation is issued in cordance with the provisions of acts of Congress forbidding the killing of fur seals within the limits of Alaska Territory or the waters thereof, and directing the President to make proclamation to this effect. It is said that the document will be substantially the same in form as that of last year. The negotiations between the Governments of the United States and Great Britain looking to a settlement by spect to the waters of Behring Son, it is said, have not advanced far enough as yet to war-rant any modification of the usual form of

# PANIC AT A REVIVAL.

Somebody Yells Fire and the Crowd Rushes for the Street.

SPRINGFIELD, March 22 .- A panic that came near resulting in several fatalities occurred tonight at a union religious meeting in the Grand Opera House conducted by the Rev. W. A.

Miss Anna Barry occupying a seat in the parquet, was overcome by heat and fainted. The house was crowded, over 2,000 people being present, and there was a rush to her side. ome one in the gallory yelled " Fire!"

There was a tremendous rush for the doors from all parts of the house. The people strug-gled like madmen to reach the outside, Then the choir, at the suggestion of Mr. Barnes, started up "Nearer, my God. to Thee."

This had a salutary effect, and terrible disaster was averted. A score or more persons were badly bruised.

### A GIRL KNOCKED DOWN. Two Robbers Assault Miss Hollingsworth in a Paterson Street.

PATERSON, March 22.-Miss Lydia Hollingsworth was on her way to church to-night when, as she was walking through Clark street, she was knocked down by two men. Robbery is supposed to have been the object. She screamed so loudly that she aroused the

She screamed so loudly that she aroused the neighborhood, and her assaiiants made their escape. Two men gave chase, but wore unable to catch them. Miss Hollingsworth received some scratches in the face and the blow she got made her nose bleed.

Shortly afterward the same two men assaulted Edward Carroll, a gracer, and knocked him down with a cobble stone. Carroll shouted, and the men fied. A polloeman gave chase. He captured one of the assailants who proved to be a well known crook named Nathan Boyle, whe was only recently released from the State prison, where he had been serving time for a similar offense. He is undoubtedly one of the assailauts of Miss Hollingsworth. The other man has not been caught.

# A RUNAWAY LAWMAKER.

He Lights Out from Lincoln to Avoid Voting on a Railroad Bill. OMAHA, March 22.—Senator Taylor, who fied from Lincoln to avoid voting on the Newberry maximum freight rate bill. was in Council

Biuffs last night. He arrived on a special train and arranged immediately to depart for the East.

It is supposed that he will conceal himself in Virginia, as that is his old home. The bergeant at Arms of the Benate has asked for a requisition on the lowa Governor, in order to secure the fugitive if he is caught in that State. He announces that he will follow Benator Taylor to Virginia if necessary.

It is openly asserted that the Burlington and Missouri, Union Facille, and other roads are responsible for the Benator's flight, hoping thereby to continue the legislative deadlock and secure the defeat of the measure. Numerous detectives are assisting in the hunt for the fugitive. The deadlock at Lincoln continued throughout to-day, with no indication of an end. Biuffs last night. He arrived on a special

Ex-Cov. Robinson Has Another Relance. ELMINA, March 22.-Ex-Gov. Robinson had A. M.—2:20, 212 West Sixty-first street. Charles Sacher, description of the search for James Watta the young Californian family have again despaired of his recovery, and have been warned that death might be expected at any time. It is hardly probable that the property of the search for James Watta the young Californian who left the Bunting Home for Intemperate Ren. as and have been warned that death might be expected at any time. It is hardly probable that the search for James Watta the young Californian who left the Bunting Home for Intemperate Ren. as and have been warned that death might be expected at any time. It is hardly probable that the bas been closed that he has not returned to the Bome, and his baggage is still at 10 Rights. another relapse this morning, and has been

CAUGHT AFTER A HOT CHASE

FRED FITESIMMONS, WHO KILLED A DETECTIVE, DID NOT GET AWAY.

He Mid Jeweiry, Money, and His Father's Will in a Log Near His House When He Took to the Woods-A Criminal of Unusual Intelligence and Determination.

PRICE TWO CENTS

PITTSBURGH, March 22.-Frederick C. Fitssimmons, the fugitive who killed Detective Gikinson and wounded Detective Murphy while resisting arrest in the country west of McKeesport yesterday, has been captured near Homestead.

Detectives have spent most of the day in searching in the house where the shooting occurred and in the surrounding country. They found a satchel belonging to Fitzsimmons secreted in a hollow log about a quarter of a mile from the house. It was filled with several thousand dollars'

worth of valuable jewelry. It contained also some valuable papers, including a copy of the will of Fitzsimmons's father, who died recently in Canada leaving a large estate. The father left \$40,000 in personal property and a large amount of real estate.

He bequeathed \$3,000 in cash and a part of his realty to his son, Frederick Carrollton Fitzsimmons. 1t is dated Brockville, Ont., Dec. 10, 1890. Thus the conclusion is irresist-

ible that "A. G. Budd." the name by which Fitzelmmone was known, was an allas. Telegrams have been sent to-day to the Brockville police and to others there, in pursuance of this discovery, and to other Canadian frontier towns, with the expectation that Fitzsimmons would make a break for Canada. The jewelry in the satchel is that taken at the Homestead robbery and consists of forty gold and silver watches, diamond studs, chains, and

charms. Fitzsimmons probably took the satchel with him when he ran from the house, but finding it too heavy to carry, hid it in the log.

Some of the other papers show that Fitzsimmons was one of a set of men who were systematically engaged in leasing and insuring property and thereafter burning it up for its insurance. The woman who was present at the shooting yesterday, and who claims to be Fitzsimmons's wife, is now in fall in this city, together with the little girl who she says is her daughter. The woman calls herself Lucy Fitzsimmons. She is about 40 years old. She says that she was born in Louisiana. Neither she nor the little girl will talk of the shooting.

Her black eyes snapped when she saw the satchel as it was brought in but she didn't say a word. She admitted, however, in the course of an interview, that Fitzsimmons was in Brockville, Ont., on March 16, and had returned in bad humer, and had been out of sorts ever since, saying he didn't care what became of him.

It is presumed that he had difficultyin get-Fitzsimmons probably took the satchel with

of him.

It is presumed that he had difficulty in geting his father's estate closed up or in securing
some advance thereon. It is hoped that some
news may be received from Brockville to-

news may be received from Brockville tonight.

It was through the police official at Homestead that Fitzsimmons was caught. Alexander McAlister and an associate happened to
know that he used to board at a certain house
there. They watched the place, and this evening saw him inside, through a window.

A woman was dressing his wounds. When
they entered he ran into an outbuilding in
they and. He turned and drow his revolver,
but before he could raise it hicklister's weapon
was levelled point blank at him, with the
command: "Throw up your hands: you are
my prisoner."

He obsered and gave himself up. The authorties here are talking of sending a special engine and car to-night to bring Fitzsimmondown here for safe keeping, as they fear to
leave him overnight in the Homestead lockup.

DON'T WANT A NEW YORKER.

Who Will Get the Vacant Office of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury! Secretary Foster takes charge of the Treasury Department to-morrow. He has expressed a desire that Charles E. Coon shall be appoint-

ed to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Gen. Batcheller as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Windom, it is known, wanted Mr. Coon, but was prevalled on to take wanted Mr. Coon. but was prevalled on to take Gen. Batcheller. Mr. Foster wants Mr. Coon. but the President doean't want a New York man in the Treasury Department. Although reasonally anxious that Mr. Coon should have the place. Mr. Foster appears to be willing to accept the President's view of the situation. The President thinks the place should go to one of the defeated Western Congressmen. The vacancy has existed over six months. If the fight becomes too warm, the place may not be filled at all.

Tried to Cut His Daughter's Christopher Butler, a shipwright living at 344 Cherry street, yesterday afternoon attempted to out the threat of his daughter Mary, 23

years of age. Butler has been drinking lately, and when he sat down to his supper yesterday and when he sat down to his supper yesterday he was in a very ugly frame of mind. His daughtersaying something he did not like, he grabbed a table knife and sprang at her. Saying he would kill her.

She fought him off and in the struggle received two cuts in the face, the worst one just under the right eye. The sight of the blood brought the father to his seenes, and when a policeman arrived he was quiet and renitent.

The injured girl went to the Gouverneur Hospital and had her wound dressed, and her father was locked up in the Madison street police station.

The Weather.

The storm centre moved southeast yesterday, and was central last night on the Virginia coast. The becomester at Korfolk was lowest reading 20.46. There was no loss of energy. The winds were blowing on shore north of the centre, with velocities from 24 to 50 miles an hour. At randy Hook 46 miles was recorded, miles an nour. At sandy more so miles was recorded, and at Block Island 44. In this city the highest was 30, about 2:30 P. M. and last night the rate was about 24 miles. The atorm will probably pass off the coast to day, when the winds should become high from the northwest. The fog on the coast was not so dense year.

terday.

Rain was falling yesterday in the Ohio valley, lake regions and all the States on the coast except Florida.
The fall was generally light.
The storm morth of Montana on Saturday was in Min-The stormhorth of Montana on Saturday was in Min-nesona with but slight energy. A third storm, with rain and high winds, was moving east from Texas, and should cause rain in the lower Mississippi valley to-

day.

Rain fell throughout the day in this city, except for a few hours in the morning. The total fat for yesterday was .53 of an inch: highest Government'temperature

50": lowest, 37°; average humidity, 00 per cont.; wind steady from the northeast. To day promises to be rainy, with a chance of clear-ing in the latter part of the day; slight change in temperature. Tuesday fair, cooler.

The thermometer at l'erry's pharmacy in Tua Sus building recorded the temperature yesterday as follows:

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Signal OFFICE FORECAST TILL S P. M. MONDAY. Contionary signals are displayed at Baltimore storm signals at all other stations from Norfolk section to Kastport.

For Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont, light rain; slightly cooler, except stationary temperature in

Maine: easterly gales.
For Massachusetts, Bhode Island, Connecticut, and castern New York, rain; slightly conter; casterly paies.
For the District of Columbia, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, fair Maine: easterly gales.

Monday night; slightly cooler: northerly galea. For West Virginia, western New York, wastern Penn-sylvania, Ohio, and Indiana, fair, except light rain on Lake Ontario: slightly warmer; variable winds. JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Feventy-eight excise arrests yesterday. Mr Charles Santley, the English baritons, arrived yesterday on the French line steamship La Bretagna, ite is tall robust, and florid. He said he was going to Canada at once. He will return to New York in April. nada at once. He will return to New York in April-"Billam Hegeman, alias "Panana Jack." was re-nded in Jefferson Market Court yesterday to await result of the injuries he is charged with inflicting Charles Brannigan of 295 Youth Fifth avenue on urday night. Brannigan is in St. Vincent's Hospi-badly hurt.

tal badly hard prantigan is in St. Vincent's Hospi-Edward short and Henry Robes, 17 year-old boys, were held in Jefferson Market Court resterday charged with breaking into the basement of the house of? West Twenty-first street with the intention of stealing a bundle of dothes belonging to Miss sadie Martinot and valued at \$100.